as necessary Class III and then Class II). In such case, the pounds of skim milk remaining in each class at this allocation step at the handler's other pool plants shall be adjusted in the reverse direction by a like amount in sequence beginning with the nearest other pool plant of such handler at which Class I-A or Class I-B utilization is available:

(16) If the plant at which assignment is being made is a plant from which 50 percent or more of the gross receipts of skim milk and butterfat in the form of fluid milk products left the plant in the form of fluid milk products in consumer packages or dispenser inserts and was classified as Class I-A, subtract pro rata from the remaining pounds of skim milk in each class the pounds of skim milk in receipts of fluid milk products from plants in the 401 miles and over freight zone, not defined pursuant to §1002.8 (b) or (d):

(17) Subtract from the remaining pounds of skim milk in Class I-A milk the pounds of skim milk in remaining receipts from plants (except other order plants) or units the pool status of which has not yet been established and which receipts have not previously been assigned pursuant to paragraph (a) (13) and (16) of this section;

(18) Subtract from the remaining pounds of skim milk in each class the pounds of skim milk received in the form of fluid milk products and bulk fluid cream products from other pool plants and from pool units (not previously assigned pursuant to the preamble of this section), in accordance with the classification assigned by the transferee handler subject to the conditions of paragraph (a)(18) (i) through (iii) of this section:

(i) The skim milk so assigned to any class of utilization shall be limited to the amount thereof remaining in such class in the transferee plant;

(ii) If the transferor plant received during the month other source milk to be allocated pursuant to paragraph (a)(7) of this section the skim milk so transferred shall be classified so as to allocate the least possible Class I-A or I-B utilization to such other source milk; and

(iii) If the transferor handler received during the month other source milk to

be allocated pursuant to paragraph (a)(13) of this section, the skim milk so transferred shall not be classified as Class I-A or I-B to a greater extent than would be applicable to a like quantity of such other source milk received at the transferee plant;

(19) Add to the remaining pounds of skim milk in Class I-A the pounds of skim milk received directly from dairy farmers or units which was deducted pursuant to the proviso in the preamble of this section:

(20) If the pounds of skim milk remaining in all classes exceeds the pounds of skim milk in receipts from producers subtract such excess from the pounds of skim milk remaining in each class in series beginning with Class III. Any amount so subtracted shall be known as "overage";

(b) Butterfat shall be allocated in accordance with the procedure outlined for skim milk in paragraph (a) of this costion; and

section; and

(c) Combine the amounts of skim milk and butterfat determined pursuant to paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section into one total for each class.

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## § 1002.46 Rules and regulations.

Accounting rules and regulations to effectuate the provisions of §§ 1002.40 through 1002.45 shall be issued by the market administrator and shall include (but not be limited to) conversion factors to be used in the absence of specific weights and tests, specific definitions of products, specific shrinkage allowances and procedures for determining the quantities of skim milk and butterfat disposed of in specified products. Such rules and regulations shall be made, and may from time to time be amended, by the market administrator in accordance with the procedure set forth in this section: Provided, That at any time upon a determination by the Secretary that an emergency exists which requires the immediate adoption of rules and regulations, the market administrator may issue, with the approval of the Secretary, temporary rules and regulations without regard to the following procedure: Provided further, That, if any interested person makes written request for the issuance,

amendment, or repeal of any rule, the market administrator shall within 30 days either issue notice of meeting pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section or deny such request and except in affirming a prior denial, or where the denial is self-explanatory, shall state the grounds for such denial: *Provided further*, That if the market administrator finds it necessary to promulgate formal rules with respect to units, he shall follow the procedure set forth in this section.

- (a) All proposed rules and regulations and amendments thereto shall be the subject of a meeting called by the market administrator at which time all interested persons shall have opportunity to be heard. Notice of such meeting shall be given by the market administrator, and a copy of the proposed rules and regulations shall be sent at least 5 days prior to the date of the meeting to all handlers operating pool plants. A stenographic record shall be made at all such meetings and such record shall be public information available for inspection at the office of the market administrator.
- (b) A period of at least 5 days after the meeting held pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section shall be allowed for the filing of briefs. Such briefs shall be public information available for inspection at the office of the market administrator.
- (c) Not later than 30 days after a meeting held pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section, the market administrator shall issue and send to all handlers, operating pool plants and pool units the tentative rules and regulations or amendments thereto relating to the issues considered at such meeting, or a tentative notice that no rules or regulations or amendments thereto are to be issued prior to further consideration at another meeting. The tentative rules and regulations, or tentative notice, together with copies of the stenographic record and briefs, shall also at the same time be forwarded by the market administrator to the Secretary
- (d) Not later than 30 days after issuance by the market administrator, the Secretary shall either approve the tentative rules and regulations or tentative notice as issued, or direct the

market administrator to reconsider. In which latter event, the market administrator shall within 30 days either issue revised tentative rules and regulations or tentative notice, or call another meeting pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section.

(e) The tentative rules and regulations and amendments thereto or tentative notice issued pursuant to paragraph (c) of this section shall be effective as of the first of the month following approval by the Secretary, but not sooner than 10 days after issuance by the market administrator.

## MINIMUM PRICES

## §1002.50 Class prices.

For pool milk received during each month from dairy farmers or cooperative associations of producers, each handler shall pay per hundredweight not less than the prices set forth in this section, subject to the differentials and adjustments in §§ 1002.52 and 1002.81. Any handler who purchases or receives milk during any month from a cooperative association of producers but does not operate the plant or unit receiving this milk from producers shall pay the cooperative association on or before 2 days before the last day of the month if paid by check, or the last day of the month if paid in cash or cash equivalent, at not less than the lowest class price pursuant to this section for the preceding month for milk received from such cooperative during the first 15 days of the month, and shall pay the cooperative association on or before the 15th day of the following month the balance due for milk received during the month from such cooperative at not less than the class prices pursuant to this section subject to the differentials and adjustments set forth in §§ 1002.52 and 1002.81 applicable at the plant at which the milk is first received from the cooperative association. Such payments to a cooperative association shall be deemed not to have been made until the payments have been received by the cooperative association.

(a) Class I-A price. For Class I-A milk the Class I price in the 201-210 mile freight zone shall be the basic formula price for the second preceding month